

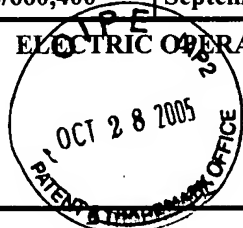
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Title: **ELECTRIC OPERATION APPARATUS**



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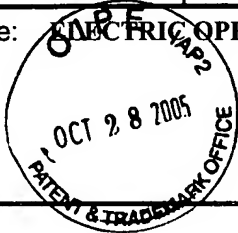
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1. Japanese Publication Application No. 10-286261, published October 27, 1998 together with English language abstract and English translation.

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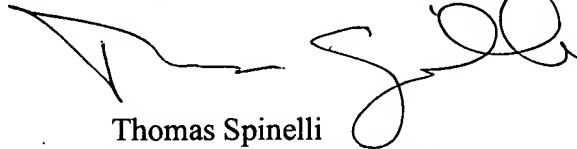
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The references were cited in Office Actions dated July 26, 2005 received from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references along with English language Abstract, English language translation and the Japanese Office Actions (with translated portions identifying the date and references).

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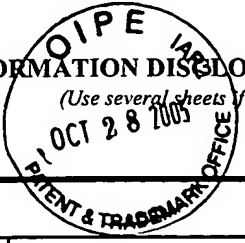
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